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Application Number: 10/081,212 )  
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Filed: February 25, 2002 )  
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR )  
MANUFACTURING SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE )

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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS**

Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Missing Parts dated March 19, 2002, of the Initial Patent Examination Division of the Patent and Trademark Office, the period for response to which is set to expire on May 19, 2002. Submitted herewith is an executed declaration for the above-captioned application.

The fee of \$130.00 is enclosed. Please direct any inquiries in connection with this application to the undersigned.

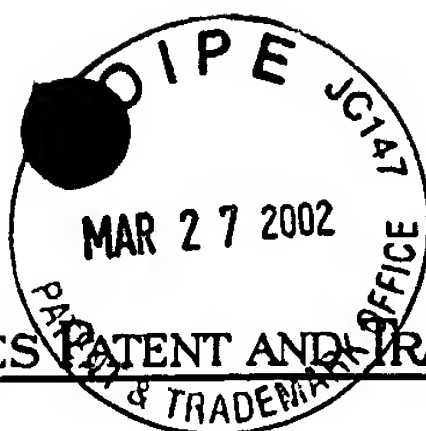
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